

Complete Count Committee
March 11, 2020
Davis Hall

Name	Present	Absent
Gloria Aparicio-Blackwell		X
Heidi Biffel		X
Branson Cameron		X
Robert Day		X
Michael Glowacki	X	
Andy Miller		X
Denise Mitchell		X
James Nealis	X	
John Payne		X
Arelis Perez (via phone)	X	
Lupi Quinteros-Grady (a 7:25pm)	X	
Melissa Sites		X

Also present: Katie Hart, Staff Liaison; Rya Griffis, Census Community Coordinator; Terry Schum, City of College Park; Cameron Thurston, UMD; Sheryl DeWalt, Contract Secretary.

The meeting started at 7:15pm by James Nealis, Chair.

1. Mr. Glowacki stated he went to the Hanover office of the Census Bureau to discuss the University of Maryland students and how they will be counted in the census. He was told that there will be an automatic electronic data transfer of about 15,000-17,000 students to the census bureau for students living on campus. Those students living off campus will need to complete the census form.
2. Due to the issues surrounding the Corona virus, the City of College Park has postponed Good Neighbor Day until November 7, the Drum Circle has been cancelled, Pizza Nights at the apartment buildings will be cancelled, and most likely the Census Palooza will be cancelled. Discussed ideas of how to still get the information out about completing the census. Mr. Nealis suggested we do lawn signs on city property and ask the churches if we can put lawn signs on their property. Staff indicated they will work on creating new lawn signs.
3. Post cards did get mailed out. Backpack mailers went home with the elementary school children at Hollywood and Paint Branch.
4. There was an idea proposed about trying to do an online contest between neighborhoods or districts as to who is further ahead in completing the census.
5. Another meeting will be scheduled in April, depending on what transpires with the virus outbreak. Ms. Hart and/or Ms. Schum will email committee members.

The meeting ended at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sheryl DeWalt, contract secretary.